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**Volume 1. September 1955-December 1958**

Additions to Shawsheen and West schools

Construction of new Andover High

- Debate over naming

New South School architectural plan(s)

Proposed new school district

Milk bids/contracts in schools

Educational TV in schools debate

Teacher salary increases

School budgets - reached \$1 million in 1957

Opposition to payment of bill for brochure of new school

Increased enrollment

Post-prom activities/concerns

Change in Andover High school hours (15-minute increase)

New teacher appointments/positions

Final Punchard High School graduation 1957 (photo); First day and new Andover High (full spread photos) and First Andover High Graduation 1958 (photo)

New Andover High open house

Drainage issues (South school)

Science fair(s)

Guidance office work

Student attending school over the phone due to spinal surgery (distance learning)

Bus contracts

Andover High bomb threat

**Volume 2. December 1958-October 1961**

School budget

School population growth, overcrowding concerns

Science fair(s)

Teacher appointments

100th high school class graduates (photo)

6th grade graduation party

School milk contract

Cheerleader squad

Increased teacher salary

New school plans

Debate over merit system

Personnel case Benjamin F. Dimlich

- Benjamin F. Dimlich - denied tenure considers legal action (junior high principal) - leaves job; becomes high school teacher and assistant principal, superior court ruled in favor of him

Andover High bomb threat

1960 Andover High graduating class (photo)

Graduation essays on theme of youth

Proper dress standards for high school

New school site debate

Adult programming

List of 1961 graduating class

Graduation essays on theme of 'change'

### **Volume 3. November 1961-June 1964**

Tuberculin testing program

Budgeting

Cinema Classics - debate over movie screenings in school halls

New honors listing

Television program

Arbor day photos

Andover High School graduating class of 1962 with photo

Junior High curriculum teaching experiments (writing laboratory, programmed textbooks)

Benjamin F. Dimlich wins case in MA Supreme Court

New high school recreation site plans

Summer school

Programmed instruction kits / textbooks (experiment)

Construction of Henry C. Sanborn school opens (photos)

New buses contracts

Photos at Thanksgiving football game 1962

Teacher salary increases

High testing scores

Proposal for regional vocational school

South School modern mathematics teaching testing

Graduating class of 1963 (photo)

Exchange students

School personnel changes

Classroom prayer ruled out - debates over religious customs in schools

Lovejoy Road debate

13-year-old student passes away during PE

Aerial view of Pike School

Plans for new high school  
Fire at Andover Junior High 1964  
Increased numbers of students attending four-year colleges after graduation  
New Chinese language program

#### **Volume 4. June 1964-November 1965**

‘Andover’s Milk Problem’ - loss of milk contract  
School growth  
Planning for new high school (architectural drawings)  
Greater Lawrence Vocational High School building  
Photo of students making ‘vote’ signs  
Varsity cheer photo  
Andover High football photo  
Book fair photo  
Pay raises  
Nativity scene photo  
Sports achievements - AHS gymnasts and track  
Holiday choir photos  
TB testing  
New fitness test  
Honor roll listings  
Photo of ‘sports queen’  
Latin club - photo of gladiator costume  
List of AHS seniors attending college and where  
Junior prom debate  
List of graduating class of 1965- AHS’s largest class  
Audio-visual techs photo  
New senior high school re-design  
Electric heat debate for high school  
Math concepts taught at earlier ages article  
Racial survey  
UN Week

#### **Volume 5. November 1965-March 1967**

Goldsmith Prize speaking contest  
School milk contract  
School budget  
Potential Junior High Renovation  
TB testing  
Honor roll(s)  
Science fair award(s)  
High School PE/sports achievements (photos) (gymnastics, football)

New high school plans - cornerstone ceremony  
Increased demands for counseling due to growth  
School production(s)  
47% of graduating seniors to attend four-year schools (list)  
New concepts in education ('team teaching')  
The Willis Report (recommendations)  
Safety Patrol Leaders  
List of 1966 graduating class  
Name controversy (question of the legality of the 1957 name change from Punchard to Andover High School)  
List of where the class of 1966 will attend college  
Honor essays  
Summer school  
Foreign students studying at AHS  
Potential sites New Southeast Elementary School  
Teachers bargaining for salary -National Education Association contracts  
Potential computerized course scheduling  
ABC (A Better Chance) plan proposed

**Volume 6. March 1967- March 1968**

ABC (A Better Chance) Program (photo)  
Gym teams' achievements  
Greater Lawrence Vocational High School votes for gas heating  
Teacher vacancies and appointments  
Honor roll(s)  
Annual Roman feast by Latin club  
Greater Lawrence Vocational High School wood shop creations photos  
Bid/legal notices  
List of graduating class of 1967  
Junior high audio-visual training photo  
Scale model and interior sketches of proposed Bancroft School  
Hockey gains varsity status  
1967 Andover teacher killed in crash  
Schedule of school buses  
Homeroom assignments  
Punchard Alumni reunion photos  
Renovation of Junior High building  
Photo of new Bancroft School construction  
Student drug use concerns  
School budget over \$4 million  
Study abroad students  
TB Testing

Photo of 'Harlem Diplomats' playing at AHA  
Photo of 'modern business department equipment in use'  
AHS students move into new senior high building  
Bomb hoax at new school  
Junior High repairs

### **Volume 7. March 1968-March 1969**

Teacher aides  
School budget  
Photos of senior boys cleaning up the town  
New student center  
Honor rolls  
School productions (photos of AHS Oklahoma)  
Teacher/coach appointments  
Folk-rock concert at Phillips Academy for Peace Corps  
Track champion  
ABC program  
New Bancroft School - debate over reception of design (photos)  
List of 1968 AHS graduates  
List of where graduating students are attending (majority of students)  
Potential plans for new AHS fieldhouse  
Summer school  
Concerns over student drug use - proposed drug program  
School carpeting  
West School additions visual  
Andover High School poll of townspeople found that most favored Nixon  
Mumps immunization  
Photo of Andover High School students from the Philippines  
Photo of students from Lawrence Vocational School Practical Nurse Program  
Language clubs  
Anti-Semitism in Andover school race  
Andover hockey European tour (photos of the team)  
Photo of giant valentine at East Junior High School  
Expanded Greater Lawrence Vocational High School potential architectural plans  
Photos of Andover gymnasts  
Bancroft school opens (photo of student ringing bell)

### **Volume 8. March 1969-June 1970**

Student drug use concerns  
Carpet at Bancroft  
International student exchange  
School productions/student theater

Non-graded system (South School) / no report cards (elementary level)  
Honor rolls  
Safety Patrol (Patrol leaders to DC)  
Armbands  
Personnel changes  
Scholarships (list awarded to 1969 graduating class)  
Student poems/art (Spindrift magazine)  
List of where class of 1969 will attend college  
First graduate of Bancroft special education program 1969  
School calendar changes  
Summer school  
Photos inside Bancroft  
Dress code announced (photo of what not to wear), then abolished  
Sex education/health curriculum  
ABC program (photos of students in dorm)  
Central School possible addition  
Computers for education  
Teacher salary negotiations  
SAC (Student Activity Center)  
Science fair photos  
Sports achievements (basketball championship photos)  
Lunch prices increase  
List of graduating class of 1970

### **Volume 9. June 1970-July 1971**

Junior high aero-space club rocket launch  
List of where class of 1970 will attend college  
Allagash canoe expedition  
Spelling bee  
Honor rolls  
West School addition  
Homeroom assignments  
Personnel changes/ appointments  
Bomb scares  
Physical education  
Student government  
Language clubs  
ABC program  
Drug concerns  
Doherty school addition plans  
AV  
Sports titles (track)

Student drinking (arrests) - tensions with police  
- Dance promoter sues due to cancelled event  
Discipline issues  
TAC (teenage adult collaborative) "Sea Train" concert 1971  
Andover schools accreditation  
School budget  
Ecology club  
Spanish classes go to Spain  
School productions / student theater  
Bancroft Playground designed by PA students  
List of graduating class of 1971

### **Volume 10. July 1971-October 1973**

Honor rolls  
School entrance age change  
Increased enrollment (both Andover schools and PA)  
'Andover's educational perspective'  
Drug problems  
IMS math  
Smoking policy  
Summer school  
Abbott Academy combines with Phillips Academy June 29, 1973  
School testing program  
Nursery school  
Shawsheen-Doherty School renovation plan  
Open-concept classrooms debate  
Abbot dorm fire  
Elementary school reading  
Atomic energy talk at Junior High school 1973  
Recreation events (gym photos)  
Budget cuts  
Climbing PA bell tower photos  
High School black studies course being developed by students at ABC house (photo)  
First woman administrator at PA (1972, Dean Carolyn Goodwin)  
New PA president  
PA Stuart House dedicated  
List of graduating class of 1972  
Dental health  
Student socio-medical issues discussed at forum  
John M Kemper resigns, death 1971  
'Phantom curriculum'

**Volume 11. December 1973-June 1975**

School budget (cuts) - potential tax increase  
Anti-smoking policies/campaigns  
School committee personnel changes  
School administrator let go (Regan - assistant superintendent non-reappointed - legal issues)  
School transportation (Andover bus case - records leaking/mismanagement)  
Elderly lunches  
Behavior classrooms considered  
School goals  
Sacred Heart property potential purchase (rejected)  
Teacher protest and statements

**Volume 12. June 1975-October 1978**

School survey  
Personnel changes  
Andover High student walkout and suspensions (protesting cutbacks in student privileges)  
Bus contracts  
School board member changes  
Teacher contract negotiations (AEA, Andover Federation of Teachers union)  
Teachers picket (photos)  
“Tradition education” sought for elementary students  
Special education  
Shawsheen Square safety concerns  
Alan Rogers Blackmer (former headmaster of PA) dies 1975  
Civil suit brought by former Asst. Supt. of School Edward P. Regan (for not rehiring) against former school committee members  
School crowding  
Portable classroom plan  
Andover high roof damage and repairs  
Reading program  
\$10 million-dollar school budget  
School calendar changes  
Vandalism

**Volume 13. November 1978-January 1980**

School budget  
New auditorium proposal  
Teacher layoffs  
Peer counseling program at AHS  
East Junior High repairs/building project  
Andover High fence debate (to prevent vandalism)  
Drug problems (Six AHS seniors arrested on drug charges and expelled 1979)



ABC program

Arson (student expelled for burning a cross in front of AHS/another student expelled for pulling fire alarm, classroom set fire at East Junior High)

Asbestos concerns in Andover public schools

Student population decreases

New PA athletic complex

Potential school closures (Doherty)

#### **Volume 14. January 1980-May 1981**

Redistricting program

Memorial Auditorium renovation project

School budget

Roof repairs

Conversion of Doherty into junior high

Stowe School demolition vs reuse

Work on playing fields

Vandalism concerns

School budget

School building projects - bond sale

Personnel changes

Shawsheen School closure

Bus cuts

#### **Volume 15. June 1981-July 1983**

AHS building project

First woman principal at AHS (1981)

Newly limited bus service / bus policy / school transit

Stowe School burns in fire

School building projects (AHS, Doherty)

New school drug/alcohol policy

School budget cuts

Doherty Junior High opening (photos)

Teacher contract increase

Photos of Kaleidoscope (summer enrichment program), Teen Power, Children's Theater Workshop

ABC Program (now to only accept girls in 1985)

Energy usage/grants

AFS students (American Field Service) - foreign exchange

List of local students attending PA

New program to teach and learn about aging process

Vandalism concerns

Smoking on school buses problem

Computers in schools (photos)  
Student merit achievements  
Students Against Drunk Driving  
Collins Performing Arts Center (Boston Pops to perform for opening)  
Puppets in elementary schools  
Human relations policy adopted

### **Volume 16. August 1983-May 1985**

Overcrowding  
Budget deficit  
Child care crisis  
Shawsheen School to turn administrative offices into early childhood center  
Student music and productions (photos of band)  
Administrative personnel changes  
Food drives/student charity work  
Lighting Eugene V. Lovely field debate  
Teacher aides  
Student vandalism  
Drug concerns

### **Volume 17. May 1985- December 1986**

South School principal child abuse complaint, resigns  
Salary increases  
Equality for girls' sports  
Daycare center issues (transit)  
Plans for Andover-Lawrence school at Emerson discussed  
'Dragon's Lair Playground' at Bancroft designed by students (photos)  
Gifted and Talented program continuation debate  
ABC house - 20 years of the program (photos)  
Photos of Heritage and Liberty day  
AFS students  
Sanborn principal changes  
Budgeting  
AHS teacher charged in assault case  
'Project Charlie' to combat drug and alcohol abuse  
AHS band achievements

### **Volume 18. January 1987-December 1987**

Pilot child care program (after school hours) - SHED (Shawsheen Extended Day Program)  
ABC program  
Computer program  
Student theater

Drug concerns  
Administrative personnel changes  
Disability awareness  
Gifted/talented program debate  
Andover/Lawrence collaborative school proposal  
AIDs awareness  
AHS new attendance policy  
Discussions of moving 9th graders to high school/four-year high school  
Budgeting

**Volume 19. January 1988-March 1988**

Andover/Lawrence collaborative school debate  
9th graders moved to high school  
SHED program  
Budgeting  
Drug concerns  
AFS students  
Special education

**Volume 20. July 1988-August 1989**

Personnel changes  
Smoking banned at high school  
School Committee goals/master plan  
Computers in schools  
Drug Busters program, ASK (Community Assessment, Support and Knowledge)  
Athletic achievements (football, soccer)  
High (academic) performance in schools  
Superintendent changes  
AFS students, exchange students  
AHS community service program  
SHED program/contract  
Phillips graduating class of 1989 photos  
Plastic recycling begins at high school  
Asbestos concerns  
AHS class of 1989

**Volume 21. September 1989-July 1990**

Gifted program reinstated  
Technology in schools (computer program)  
Andover teachers picket, contract negotiations  
Pink slips given to teachers  
Budget cuts

Talks of tuition programs at AHS  
High school musicians' achievements  
AFS club  
Holocaust survivor talks to students  
Anti-drug messaging

### **Volume 22. July 1990-December 1995**

Teacher and administrative personnel changes (new superintendent), contracts  
AHS exchange program  
School budgeting  
Legality of teacher union using public building questioned  
Drinking/drug concerns  
Photos of homecoming, students in youth town government program  
AHS band achievements  
More PA news  
AHS construction  
AHS asbestos removal  
Questioning of 'Warrior' logo  
'Odyssey of the Mind' competition  
Loaded gun found in AHS student's car

### **Volume 23. January 1996-September 1997**

Andover High School building project (problems during construction)  
AHS warrior logo debate  
School funding  
AHS student assaulted/robbed  
Schools budget  
Sex education classes - parent concerns  
Grant to keep gay students safe  
AHS marching band achievements  
School crowding  
30th anniversary of ABC  
AHS class time expanding  
First wheelchair user to graduate from Northern Essex Community College Deaf Studies

### **Volume 24. October 1997- December 2000**

Possible grades 5-8 classical charter school  
Block schedule - scheduling debate  
Construction at AHS causes temporary school closure  
Abbot Academy renovations for PA  
Greater Lawrence Vocational High School expansion project  
Administrative changes

Collins Center  
Student extracurriculars (photos)  
Hepatitis B vaccine for seniors  
Anti-hate advocacy in response to anti-Semitic hate crime by AHS students, Holocaust survivor speaks to students  
Standardized testing (MCAS)  
Grade inflation  
AHS parking stickers  
New schools for West Andover site

### **Volume 25. December 2000-April 2003**

Administrative personnel changes  
Andover School of Montessori expansion project  
Possibility of mandatory community service at schools ending  
AHS hosts photographic exhibition focusing on gay experience  
Greater Lawrence Technical School renovation project  
Sports achievements (AHS girls swim team wins fourth straight championship, girls' basketball state champions)  
Concerns over drinking and drug related behavior - DARE program  
Concerns over youth suicide  
Peabody Museum potential closure - appointment only  
New school delays  
Potential fees for extracurriculars (sports, music)  
Music program cut from schools  
School library budget declines  
SiteLines (art show)  
Phillips Academy construction/renovation projects (New ice rink, bell tower)  
Schools 'choice' idea proposed, denied (no outside students)  
Standardized testing

### **Volume 26. April 2003-September 2004**

New math program to eliminate separate advanced math class for 7th grade  
Bus price increase  
Tech and business courses at AHS cut  
Administrative changes  
Greater Lawrence Technical School news  
MCAS  
AHS class hours concerns (too many study halls due to teacher cuts)  
AHS girls swim team year 2000 championship win debate  
Overcrowding in schools  
AHS teacher hire plan  
Peabody Museum reopens

Andover student wins bomb threat lawsuit against town (wrongly accused of writing bomb threat at Doherty Middle School 1999)

**Volume 27. October 2004-February 2006**

Lead in school water  
Teacher contract demands (AEA)  
Increased AHS parking fees  
School committee election  
School budget  
Security in schools  
Teacher/administrator personnel changes  
PA bell tower rebuild complete  
Student fees  
Standardized testing  
STOP Anti-bullying program  
All-day kindergarten price increase  
Sports achievements  
Increased school legal fees  
AHS teacher Peter G. Arthur passes away (2006)

**Volume 28. February 2006-May 2007**

Residency rule enforcement  
Katrina relief efforts  
New Merrimack College entrance  
School population increase - crowded class sizes  
Sports achievements (photos, 8th straight girl's swim state champions)  
Melmark New England opens for autistic children  
Wheels of Justice group speaks at AHS (controversial) - speaker policy debate  
Special education program  
Crossing guards at St. Augustine debate  
New police presence at Greater Lawrence Technical School

**Volume 29. June 2007-May 2008**

Artificial turf at Lovely Field  
PA girls' rowing at Henley Regatta  
Email notes home instead of paper  
School drop-off safety concerns at Doherty - crossing guards/speakers instated  
Man found dead near Sanborn (2007)  
Test policy concerning bringing home tests to parents to review  
Foreign languages in schools  
Principals retiring  
Addison renovation

Greater Lawerence Technical School student arrested for bringing pellet gun to school  
Sports achievements

**Volume 30. May 2008-October 2010**

Discussion of longer school days  
New principals in Andover Schools  
Former PA student named king of Bhutan  
Addison renovation  
Sports achievements, photos (swimming, track, girls' basketball)  
Superintendent Bach leaves  
New K-5 Bancroft school  
Odyssey program at PA  
Student healthy foods

**Volume 31. October 2010-October 2012**

Sports achievements (basketball, field hockey)  
Tablets in schools  
New teacher union leader  
Concerns of Shawsheen closing  
Dragon's Lair playground demolition  
West Middle repairs  
John Palfrey named head of school (2011)  
Hazing in schools (boys' basketball program)  
School retirements